

**UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
DISTRICT OF HAWAII
NOTICE OF ASSIGNMENT
TO UNITED STATES MAGISTRATE JUDGE**

In accordance with the Order Authorizing Direct Assignment of Civil Cases to U.S. Magistrate judges, dated October 1, 2009, this case has been assigned to **Magistrate Judge** for all purposes including trial and final entry of judgment. Any appeal from a judgment entered by the magistrate judge may be taken to the United States Court of Appeals for the Ninth Circuit in the same manner as an appeal from any other judgment of a district court.

Exercise of this jurisdiction by a magistrate judge is permitted only if all parties voluntarily consent. You may, without adverse consequences, withhold your consent. If any party elects reassignment, the case will be randomly assigned to a district judge. The identity of any party withholding consent will not be communicated to any judge.

Magistrate judges do not preside over trials in felony criminal cases. Because of this, major criminal cases will not interfere with scheduling and trials before the magistrate judge. In all likelihood, therefore, a consent will mean that this case will be resolved sooner for the parties.

While the decision to consent or not to consent to the exercise of jurisdiction by the magistrate judge is entirely voluntarily, **the duty to respond to this notice is mandatory**. Each party **must** indicate consent or decline to consent by completing the attached Election Form and filing it with the court no later than twenty-one (21) days after entry of appearance. In the event a dispositive motion is filed prior to the date on which the submission of the Election Form is required, the parties must return the completed Election Form within seven (7) calendar days after the motion is filed.

**YOU MUST COMPLETE AND FILE THE ATTACHED ELECTION FORM.
FILING INSTRUCTIONS**

- After completing the form, **ALL registered CM/ECF participants are now required to e-file this document.**
- Use the event “**Consent Election Form**”, found under **Civil Events —> Other Filings —> Consent Election Form**

All other parties must file the form by mail, or in person, at the clerks office: U. S. District Court, 300 Ala Moana Blvd., Room C-338, Honolulu, HI, 96850. The form can be found on the court’s website <http://www.hid.uscourts.gov>

The party filing the case or removal is responsible for serving all parties with this Notice and the attached Election Form.

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)	Case No. _____
Plaintiff (s),)	
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vs.)	
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Defendant(s).)	
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**CONSENT TO JURISDICTION BY
UNITED STATES MAGISTRATE JUDGE**

Pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 636(c)(1), the undersigned party voluntarily consents to have the assigned United States Magistrate Judge conduct any and all further proceedings in the case, including trial and entry of a final judgment, with direct review by the Ninth Circuit Court of Appeals if an appeal is filed.

Name of Party(s)

Signature of Attorney or Pro Se Party

Date

REASSIGNMENT TO UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE

Pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 636(c)(2), the undersigned acknowledges the availability of a United States Magistrate Judge but elects to have this case randomly assigned to a United States District Judge.

Name of Party(s)

Signature of Attorney or Pro Se Party

Date

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Return this form within 21 days of appearance. After completing this form, parties may e-mail this form to consent@hid.uscourts.gov, or may mail it to U. S. District Court, 300 Ala Moana Blvd., Room C-338, Honolulu, HI, 96850, Attention: Consent Clerk. **Do not e-file this document.**